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LIMDIS - MBFR NEGOTIATIONS

FROM US REP MBFR

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SUBJECT: MBFR NEGOTIATIONS: CHECKLIST OF ORGANIZATION POINTS
TO BE RAISED WITH THE EAST

BEGIN SUMMARY: AD HOC GROUP ON OCTOBER 26 REVIEWD A CHECKLIST
OF POINTS TO BE DISCUSSED WITH THE EAST WHICH HAD BEEN PREPARED
BY THE US, DUTCH AND BELGIAN DELEGATIONS. THE LIST IS IN TWO
SECIONS. THE FIRST LISTS QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED BY THE BELGIAN
DELEGATION WITH THE POLISH REP ON OCTOBER 27 OR 28. THE SECOND
SECTION LISTS ADDITIONAL POINTS WHICH MIGHT BE CONSIDERED AT A
MEETING OF THE US, BELGIAN, SOVIET AND POLISH DELEGATIONS ON
OCTOBER 29. TEXT FOLLOWS. END SUMMARY. BEGIN TEXT:

I. LIST OF POINTS TO BE TAKEN UP BY BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVE WITH POLES

1. CONFIRM TIME OF OPENING SESSION, 1000 A.M., OCTOBER 30.

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2. CONFIRM WHETHER THERE IS AGREEMENT THAT CHAIRMAN OF

OPENING SESSION WILL BE SELECTED ON BASIS OF CONTINUATION
OF SEQUENCE FROM EXPLORATORY TALKS IN ACCORDANCE WITH POINT
5 OF MAY 14 PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS.

3. AGREE ON SEATING AND OTHER ARRANGEMENT FOR BRIEF ADDRESS
BY AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

4. CONFIRM AGREEMENT ON PRESENCE OF PRESS AND TV IN THE HALL
DURING KIRSCHLAEGER SPEECH.

5. CLEAR WITH THE EAST TEXT OF CHAIRMAN'S REPLY TO KIRSCHLAEGER.

6. CONFIRM THAT ACTUAL PROCEEDINGS WILL BEGIN WITH OPENING
STATEMENT FOLLOWING DEPARTURE OF AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

7. SEEK AGREEMENT THAT CHAIRMANSHIP ON OCTOBER 30 WILL NOT
ROTATE FOR AFTERNOON SESSION BUT THAT MORNING AND AFTERNOON
WILL FOR CHAIRMANSHIP BE CONSIDERED AS ONE SINGLE MEETING.

8. CONFIRM AGREEMENT TO ALPHABETIC ORDER OF OPENING STATEMENTS
AND, AS NECESSARY, CONFIRM POSSIBLE WAY OF DEALING WITH
ROMANIAN ISSUE.

9. SEEK AGREEMENT TO BLOCK OFF MORNING OF OCTOBER 31, TO START AT
10:00 A.M., FOR TURKISH, USSR, UK AND US OPENING STATEMENTS.

10. AGREE ON TEXT OF BRIEF PRESS COMMUNIQUE TO BE ISSUED
FOLLOWING MORNING SESSION ON OCTOBER 30. WE DO NOT PLAN
OTHER COMMUNIQUE EXCEPT ON AGREEMENT.

11. PROPOSE GATHERING OF BELGIAN AND POLISH REPRESENTATIVES
TOGETHER WITH US AND USSR REPS ON OCTOBER 29 TO CONFIRM ADMINISTRATIVE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR FIRST PLENARIES.

II. FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION WITH THE EAST IN GROUP OF FOUR

1. CONFIRM UNDERSTANDING THAT ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT HAS RIGHT
TO CALL PLENARY: TELL EAST ALLIES WISH MINIMUM OF ONE PLENARY
BE-WEEKLY, BUT TWO WEEKLY FOR FIRST WEEKS.

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2. PRESENT ALLIES POINTS ON PRESS AND PUBLICITY, INCLUDING
AVAILABILITY OF OPENING STATEMENT TO PRESS.

3. EXPLAIN WHAT ALLIES HAVE IN MIND WITH REGARD TO DEVELOPMENT
OF THEMES STEP.
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